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GREAT ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR

By a Large Japanese Naval Force, Russian Report Does Not State Damage. Attack Was To Cover

JAPANESE LANDING ON LIAO TUNG PENINSULA

The Vladivostock Russian Squadron is Said to Have Reached Port Arthur. Movements of Land Troops Near Anju. Coal Famine is Engrossing Russia's Attention in the Far East. Trans-Siberian Railway Badly Congested.

Huge Attack on Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, March 23.—The Emperor has received the following telegram from Viceroy Alexieff: "Lieutenant General Stosselle reports that at midnight of March 21st, Japanese torpedo boats were discovered by our searchlights."

Our guardship and fort batteries opened fire upon them. The firing lasted for twenty minutes. At four o'clock in the morning the attack was renewed. At 6:20 o'clock in the morning four of the enemy's ships appeared from the south, followed by the whole squadron of eleven ships and eight torpedo boats. Our squadron left then to meet the enemy.

At nine o'clock the enemy's battleships opened fire on Liao Tishen, after which they took up a position behind the rocky eminence of Liao Tishen and torpedo boats taking up a position between Liao Tishen and Gotulina Bay and Pigeon Bay, while the cruisers formed up in two sections to the south and southeast of Port Arthur.

At 9:20 the battleship Retvizan opened fire over the coast of Liao Tishen against the enemy's battleships, which replied by firing on the town. Meanwhile our fleet formed up in line in the outer road. About 11 o'clock in the morning the cannonade abated and the Japanese fleet, reunited, drew off slowly to the southwest, and at 12:30 had disappeared. "During the bombardment five soldiers were killed and nine were wounded. One soldier on a ship was bruised."

Object of the Attack.

St. Petersburg, March 23.—It is regarded as not unlikely that the demonstration today by the Japanese fleet was intended to cover the landing of the Japanese troops somewhere on the Liao Tung peninsula, which it is expected here may be attempted at any time.

Russian Gunboat Still at Shanghai.

San Francisco, March 22.—Officers of the steamer Coptic, just arrived, saw the Russian gunboat Mandjur lying in the river at Shanghai, and report that her commander is a Captain Carlor, born in the United States, but a Russian by naturalization. When ordered to leave Chinese waters Carlor emphatically refused and invited somebody to make him move. At last accounts he was still at Shanghai with his boat. A Japanese battleship and a cruiser flying the same flag passed out of the river while the Coptic was at Shanghai.

MAYOR SHORT LEAVES THE CHAIR

Absolutely Refuses to Be a Party to the Signing of the Street Railway Agreement. The Recent Vote of the People is Responsible for the Signing of the Agreement.

The last, for the present, chapter in the street railway agreement discussion, took place in the council chamber last evening. The full council, solicitors Beck and Kennedy, and a number of citizens were present. The result of it all was that the street railway agreement has been passed although only three councilmen—May, Peadar and Ross—favored it. Councillors Cushing and Griener opposed the passing of the agreement in its present form, but were willing to waive their personal objections on account of the recent public vote in favor of it. Councillor Fraser opposed the terms of the agreement throughout. Mayor Short absolutely refused to be a party to the passing of the agreement and to the signing of the agreement. The question of signing the agreement was postponed until the next meeting. The Mayor had refused to sign. Acting Mayor Cushing stated that he would prefer not to sign. On motion of Councillors Peadar and Ross, Councillor May was

Operations Around Anju.

St. Petersburg, March 23.—The following dispatch was received from Viceroy Alexieff dated Mukden, March 21.—Gen. Mischenko reports that on March 17th our scouts approached Anju and observed on the left bank of the Cheng Cheung River opposite Anju, entrenchments made by the enemy.

"It is supposed there is one Japanese division at Anju, and the remainder of the first army corps is at Ping Yang. In consequence of the report that two squadrons of the enemy have arrived at Park Chou, 200 of our cavalry were dispatched for the purpose of preventing the enemy from crossing the Park Chou River.

"Our cavalry found the Japanese squadrons on the left bank of the river, but they withdrew towards Anju on the arrival of our detachment without fighting. According to a report, three thousand of the enemy's cavalry occupied Pong Hye on March 1st.

Kuropatkin Arrives.

Irkutsk, March 22.—General Karopatkin, commanding the Russian troops in the far east, who arrived here last evening, left for Baskal this morning.

Russian Vladivostock Squadron at Port Arthur

St. Petersburg, March 22.—The authorities here are sceptical in regard to the report that a Japanese squadron has been sighted off the port of New Chwang.

There is confirmation there of the report purporting to come from London that the Vladivostock squadron has reached Port Arthur.

Railways Congested.

New York, March 22.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg says: "Complete congestion prevails on the Trans-Siberian railway, owing to the efforts of the authorities to get troops and ammunition to the far east."

Impossible to Get Coal.

There is great anxiety in naval circles owing to the inability to ship coal to Port Arthur and Vladivostock. The cause is the inability to obtain freight cars the latter being devoted to the transportation of troops. Large supplies of coal are awaiting transportation at the mines, but it is impossible to get cars.

American Attaches Held Up.

The American attaches who have been detained in watch operation at the front, are held up in St. Petersburg, and the prospects of their being able to fulfill their mission are extremely doubtful at present.

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DOINGS AT OTTAWA

NEW MILITIA BILL

Under Discussion. Estimates to be Discussed Today. To Kill the Cigarette Habit.

(Bulletin Special Dispatch.)
Ottawa, March 23.—The new Militia Bill occupied the day in committee of the whole yesterday. A full discussion on all points took place. There was no obstruction. The bill returns to committee for further consideration.

The Auditor General's report has been withdrawn.

The estimates will be taken up on Thursday.

Today is private member's day. McLean (Huntingdon) will move that it is desirable to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes. A discussion on the motion will probably occupy all day. A government caucus has been called for this forenoon.

The snow is still very deep, but rain fell today and the weather is mild.

EDMONTON'S GREATNESS

IS FULLY ASSURED

So Says the Third Vice-President of the Canadian Northern Railway Company.

(Bulletin Special Dispatch.)
Winnipeg, March 23.—D. B. Hanna, third vice-president of the Canadian Northern railway, is of the opinion that Edmonton is destined to be one of the largest cities in the Northwest and that it has a splendid outlook. The same can be applied to the smaller towns of Canada's great western domains.

NEWS OF THE WORLD

Condensed Dispatches Dealing With the Day's Most Important Happenings. Winnipeg, March 23rd.

LEGISLATURE OPENED.

The Quebec Legislature was opened by Sir Louis Jetté yesterday.

DOMINION EXHIBITION.

The program for the Dominion exhibition was adopted yesterday.

A NARROW MAJORITY.

On a snap division the British government was sustained by only 16 of a majority.

UNKNOWN MAN KILLED.

An unknown man was killed last night in the Brandon Canadian Pacific railway yards.

BILL SUBMITS A PLAN.

President Hill has submitted a plan for the distribution of the Northern Securities assets.

MARINE STATION.

A European marine station will be erected for communication with the Canadian station.

SETTLERS COMING.

One of the largest movements of settlers into Canada which ever left the States will leave next week.

ADVANTAGES OF EXHIBITING.

Mr. C. B. McNaughton, of the Canadian Manufacturers' association, points out the advantages of exhibiting at the Dominion exhibition.

LONGHEED IN WINNIPEG.

Senator Longheed passed through Winnipeg yesterday.

ELECTION RUMORS.

It is rumored that the Liberals will appeal to the country in September.

CROP EXPECTATIONS.

D. B. Hanna, second vice-president of the Canadian Northern railway, predicts an 80,000,000 bushel crop this year.

LOCAL.

Gariepy and Lescar are advertising for twenty good axe-men.

A public meeting will be held in Robertson hall this evening to discuss the proposed bylaw for the raising of electric light extensions.

A consignment of school seats for the Clouston school district, was shipped today by the Edmonton Woolen Mills and Furniture Factory.

The hockey match between the Hudson's Bay team and a team from Berillon, Freres, and McDougall and Secord's has been postponed and will likely be played the end of the week.

A telegraphic dispatch states that William McQueen, brother of the Rev. D. G. McQueen, of the Edmonton Presbyterian church, was accidentally killed in Vernon, British Columbia.

The public school concert was repeated in Robertson hall last night to a large and delighted audience. The young folks took their parts last night even better than on the previous night.

The annual meeting of the Young Men's Liberal association will be held Tuesday evening, March 29. Speeches will be delivered by local men, and the regular business of the society transacted.

Prince Albert Advocate.—The snow storm of the past week has almost entirely blocked up the railway to this point. Only one train got through last week, and the outgoing train from here on Wednesday was on Saturday's report, still in the snowbank somewhere south of Saskatoon.

The death took place this morning of John G. Carter at the residence of his father, W. J. Carter, corner of Third street and McKay avenue. The young man's death, though not unexpected, casts a gloom over a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. The funeral will leave his father's residence on Friday, March 25th, at 2:30 o'clock. Service will be conducted at the house. The bereaved family have the sympathy of numerous friends.

COUNCIL MEETING.

The adjourned meeting of the city council was held in the usual place last night. Mayor Short and Councilors Cushing, Grierson, Fraser, Ross, May and Picard were present.

The street railway agreement was discussed and officially signed. A full report of this occurs in another column.

A. W. Ormsby reported that he had made a canvass of the town and that before October 31st, 1904, there would be 3,000 electric lights in use. Regarding motive power, he reported that by the first of October of this year the town could sell power equivalent to 75 horse-power, and which would soon increase. He advocated a sliding scale of discounts on all consumers' meter rates and asked regarding the advisability of making one dollar the minimum meter reading for the month. This was referred to the Fire, Water and Light committee to bring in a report.

By-law 266, providing for the appointment of a town engineer and defining his duties, was given its first and second readings and was referred to the finance committee.

By-law 267 appointing J. A. McLean city engineer at a salary of \$1,800 per annum was given its third reading and was finally passed.

The Gollickson claim against the town for the recovery of damages for the loss of a horse owing to an accident while crossing the Namayo avenue bridge was discussed. It is held that the government built this bridge and are therefore responsible. The matter will lay over for the present.

A communication was read from Willis Chipman asking for information re the leakage in the sedimentation basin.

Several communications regarding the advertising of the Edmonton route to the British colony were ordered to be filed.

A communication from J. E. Wallbridge on behalf of the Babcock Company, asking that the time of opening the tenders for electric light extensions, be postponed to April 8th. This request was granted.

It was unanimously resolved that the hall committee purchase two suitable tables for the council chamber.

PERSONAL.

H. C. Taylor has returned to the city from a business trip to Winnipeg.

Mr. Arthur Mowat returned to the city last night from a trip to the east.

Principal Riddell of Alberta college, and his wife spent Sunday at B. R. Empey's, East Stoney Plain.

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A meeting of the creditors will be held at the office of Messrs. Shill, Cross, Biggar and Ewing, at Edmonton, Alberta, on Saturday the 19th day of March, A. D. 1904, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon. All creditors are hereby notified to attend the same.

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